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## ENGINEERS' SUMMER MIXER

Tonight we are gathered in the basement of Building D at the first summer mixer to be held by the Engineers of George Washington.

Not only is this the first in a summer mixer, but it is, to the best of our knowledge, the first mixer at which the individual societies are to have separate meetings in the middle of the mixer.

The program is quite simple, as you will see. We are first to have a short address by a representative of the School, then an address by Dean Peiker. Following this we are to have an introduction of the presidents of these organizations, Jimmy Pastoriza for the C.E.'s, Bob McCullough for the M.E.'s, Fred Holcomb for the E.E.'s, Stan Machen for Sigma Tau, and Ben Genna for Theta Tau. Sometime in here we are to have the professors introduced, then to adjourn for a forty-five minute meeting of the individual societies. After these meetings we shall reassemble in order to see the picture "Laying a Submarine Cable," a sound picture with great promise. Finally, the best of all, we will have the refreshments for which the Engineers are famous.

## IT'S OUR NAME

Pardon our name, folks. You are probably wondering how it is pronounced. Well, the way we say it is correct is "Tech-nol-ee-cy," but we call it "Teckta."

## PROGRAM FOR SUMMER SESSION

July 8	Summer Mixer
July 15	Theta Tau (short)
	Engineers' Council
July 22	Sigma Tau (long)
July 29	Theta Tau (long)
Aug. 5	Sigma Tau (short)
	Engineering Societies
Aug. 12	Theta Tau (short)
	Engineers' Council
Aug. 19	Sigma Tau (long)
Aug. 26	Theta Tau (long)
Sept. 2	Sigma Tau (short)
	Engineering Societies
Sept. 9	Theta Tau (short)
	Engineers' Council
Sept. 16	Sigma Tau (long)
Sept. 23	Theta Tau (long)

The above dates are on Wednesday nights. The short meetings of the fraternities start at 8:00 P.M. and end at 8:25 P.M. The long meetings start at 8:00 P.M. The Engineering Societies' meetings start at 8:30 P.M., and the Engineers' Council meetings start at the same time.

December 7th brought to our lives a way of life unknown to us. The already racing pace of civilized life was doubled, and those of us that thought we were doing a full days work suddenly found we could do much more.

We at George Washington are fortunate in that we can serve the Nation doubly by using what training we have toward the War Effort, and by augmenting this training here at night school so that we may later even better serve in the Nation's production lines.

## M.E. and You

(As told to Boyd Horn and Robert McCullough, Secret Agent PDQ, Dam Burn)

This column written in desperation, born of necessity, conceived in delirium and dedicated to the spirit infinitive, hopes in some vague way to promote the cause, fame, and fortune of the foremost of all engineering societies - need we say more - the A.S.M.E. (Phew!) When, at the end of this summer, the School of Engineering has risen in esteem, wisdom, and status, it will be due in no small degree to the unstinting, self-denying effort of those nats from the bolt factory, the members of the student branch of the A.S.M.E. at C.W.U. This issue will serve only to introduce you to the fine aspects of Mechanical Engineering. (Hilarity will now subside and business proceed.)

Your A.S.M.E. meets once every month to bring you, as engineers and students, up-to-date, vital, and interesting information and trends about the profession which you have chosen to follow. Is a member of the A.S.M.E. you are privileged and encouraged to take an active part at the meetings, to compete for large prizes and awards offered not only by your branch, but by the National Organization. Interesting lectures and demonstrations are an integral part at the meetings. It is to the advantage of every student to establish personal contacts with his fellow students, his faculty, and experienced professional men. And the A.S.M.E. is the place to do it.

Where else could you find a "Bitter" to give - or did he just wive - that five dollar bill the last September mixer, as a come on.

A.S. This column's slogan is: "A.S.M.E. and you'll know."

## Am. Soc. C.E.

(Jimmy Pastoriza tells all)

No matter where men go or what they do, they always take time off from their work in order to get together for purposes other than the routine. Perhaps their inner nature demands it of them, or perhaps they feel it their duty to exchange ideas with their companions. The point is that they do it.

The Civil Engineering group here at George Washington has managed to meet together every so often in order to have a chance to know themselves better and to learn of things not found in the class room. It is only that not all the Civil Engineering students take advantage of the many pleasures and privileges extended by the Student Chapter of the American Society of Civil Engineers. Students are generally skeptical about joining in anything without knowing exactly what they are getting into and what they are going to get out of it. It is a difficult task to tell anyone he is going to benefit because that depends on each individual himself.

Someone might ask: Just what is this Am. Soc. C.E.? Well, briefly it is a student chapter of a professional society, composed of any member of Civil Engineering students who want to join. This does not tell much, and yet it tells almost everything because the Chapter is what the students make it. And it should be the duty of every C.E. to find out how he can add to the group and how he can benefit from it. It is it to emphasize the former, because it is the independent factor of the second degree equation. It varies as the square of the latter. Remember the equation for a parabolic curve, and that it becomes asymptotic.

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### LISTEN UP!

This is the first edition of this engineers' paper and we hope it will grow into a regular feature of the Engineering School at George Washington. Its future is in the hands of you, the students of the Engineering School, if you like it, or the idea, and you can say so and let us know about it. If there are things about this edition that you think you might be able to improve, again, let us know. We cannot continue with the idea if you as a group won't help us. We all feel that there is a place for such a paper and that you will be willing to give us moral and physical help that will be necessary to carry on.

It is the aim of this paper to bring to the Engineering Students news of the engineering activities and of general engineering interest and to promote any ideas that may come our way.

It has long been the custom of the Engineering School to have all the engineering activities take place on Wednesday nights, and we have had the good fortune to be able to keep this right free from classes after eight o'clock. This summer, however, we find that this is no longer true, but there is a seminar every Wednesday night and we are truly sorry to hear of this fact. We hope that there may be something that still may free this night, and we particularly hope that this will not mean that in the future Wednesdays will no longer be free for activities. In our opinion too much stress cannot be put on the importance of these activities.

### SIGMA TAU SPACES

Sigma Tau officially opens (or opened) the third semester with a regular meeting at 8:00 P.M., Wednesday, July 1st in Columbian House.

For the benefit of new students Sigma Tau is a national honorary engineering fraternity whose objectives are the recognition of personal attainment, promotion of engineering interests, and encouragement of fellowship in the engineering school. Any student is eligible Sigma Tau if he is registered in the Engineering School and satisfies our requirements. With that in mind, Sigma Tau invites all students to aim for its membership.

Again Sigma Tau wishes to call attention to its regular coaching class. This instruction is made by appointment only and costs the student nothing. Any student of the Engineering School desiring aid may leave his name, address, and subject in the Sigma Tau book in Dean Feike's office, and a member of Sigma Tau will contact him to arrange a convenient time, so that they can get together.

### LAUGH BROTH

How true - -

If all the students who slept in classes were laid end to end, they would be much more comfortable.

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Have you seen this - -

"I shall illustrate what I have in mind," said the professor as he erased the blackboard.

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And may we add - -

We columnists may dig and tap. Till our finger tips are sore. But some poor fish is sure to say, "I've heard that stuff before."

- That's all folks -

## A.I.E.E. GOLF COURSE

Summer time usually means vacation time for the Double E's, both nationally and in the local student branch, but circumstances have dictated a change. At the last meeting, held in May, it was decided that we shall be active in our extra-curricular functions as we will be in the class room.

We started out with a short meeting July 8th just to get you together that you might refresh your acquaintances and get the spirit of the Double E's.

You will ask what good will belonging do? What will I get out of it? The answer is the same as you will get in the class room from your professor. You get exactly what you put into it.

The important thing to remember is that an engineer is not made in the class room, on his job, or in the society meetings. You need all three. You need the technical knowledge, the experience in applying the knowledge, and, most of all, social intercourse with your associates in engineering so you can get various perspectives of your own problems.

The best place to start getting acquainted with fellows who have interests that are in sympathy with yours is right here at school, in the George Washington University Student Branch of the A.I.E.E. If you are not already a member, join up and let us know you.

It is the ability of engineers to get together, pool their ideas, compare notes, and exchange opinions that makes them a strong factor in the material creation or destruction of this world as individuals or a group.

## THETA TAU

Gamma Beta is in the "Mar Program" spiritually, mentally, and physically with heart and soul. Samuel Myers is helping fledglings with their wings. Col. Ames has been at it for a number of years, and Harold Thomasson is expected to join up soon to help out in the Signal Corps.

The fair sex has been busy and copped off some of our good men. That is the only way they can enter our domain (via the matrimonial channel). Bob Randall was married Sunday, July 5th. Carl Esterbrook was carried off by Miss Madeline Edith Evans, June 6th, at Schenectady, New York. Josephine Drinkwine got George Pida June 4th in Minnesota.

This is nothing to what is to come. Just read the following list. Mickey Schulte is officially contracted for and subject to delivery in September to Miss Margaret Kerr. Ben Genua is pledged to Miss Margaret Wenger and will be sealed under bond in October. George Kalv, our past Regent, doesn't talk about it, but his doom is sealed. We are to make him ready for delivery by the end of the year to Miss Frances Douglas.

Ben Genua was elected Regent for this year. We know what he did for the engineers' council and we can expect as well for Theta Tau. However, remember that Ben had ten good council members behind him who not only helped in the formation and direction of the program, but did all the work as assigned and then some. So, let's get behind Ben in Theta Tau and let the campus feel, as well as hear, that the engineers can raise a figure to any power in the social circle as well as on a slide rule.

Late news: Fred Holcomb reports he is still singing: "Jingle, Jangle, Jingle, oh, ain't I glad I'm single."